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I. INTRODUCTION

The Parisi-Wu program of stochastic quantization [8] involves construction of a stochastic process which has a prescribed Euclidean quantum field measure as its invariant measure. This program was rigorously carried out for a finite volume  $(\phi^4)_2$  measure by G. Jona-Lasinio and P. K. Mitter in [6]. These results were extended in [2], which also proves a finite to infinite volume limit theorem. The aim of this note is to prove a related limit theorem, viz., that of the finite dimensional processes obtained by stochastic quantization of the lattice  $(\phi^4)_2$  fields to their continuum limit, i.e., the  $(\phi^4)_2$  process of [2], [6]. The proof imitates that of the limit theorem of [2] in broad terms, though the technical details differ. Note that this limit theorem can also be construed as an alternative construction of the  $(\phi^4)_2$  process in finite volume.

The next section recalls the finite volume  $(\phi^4)_2$  process. Section III summarizes the relevant facts about the lattice approximation to the  $(\phi^4)_2$  field from Sections 9.5 and 9.6 of [4]. Section IV proves the limit theorem.

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## II. THE $(\phi^4)_2$ PROCESS

Let  $\Lambda \subset \mathbb{R}^2$  be a finite rectangle, which, for simplicity, we take to be the unit cube  $x = (x_1, x_2) \in \Lambda$ ,  $0 \leq x_i \leq 1$ ,  $i=1,2$ . Let  $\Delta$  denote the Dirichlet Laplace operator on  $\Lambda$ . It is diagonalized by the basis  $e_k(x) = 2 \sin(k_1 x_1) \sin(k_2 x_2)$ ,  $x = (x_1, x_2)$ ,  $k \in B = \{(k_1, k_2) \mid k_i = n_i \pi, n_i \geq 1, i=1,2\}$ . In fact,  $-\Delta e_k = k^2 e_k$  where  $k^2 = k_1^2 + k_2^2$ . For  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ , let  $H^\alpha$  denote the Hilbert space obtained by completing  $D(\Lambda)$  with respect to the inner product

$$\langle f, g \rangle_\alpha = \sum_{k \in B} (k^2)^\alpha \langle f, e_k \rangle \langle g, e_k \rangle$$

where  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  is the  $L_2$  scalar product. Topologize  $Q = \bigcup H^\alpha$  by the countable family of seminorms  $\|\cdot\|_n = \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_n^{1/2}$  and  $Q = \bigcup H^{-\alpha}$  via duality.

Let  $C = (-\Delta + 1)^{-1}$ ,  $C(\cdot, \cdot)$  its integral kernel,  $C^\alpha$  its  $\alpha$ -th operator power, and  $\mu_C$  the centered Gaussian measure on  $H^{-1}$  with covariance  $C$  [2], [6]. Let  $::$  denote the Wick ordering with respect to  $C$  (see [4], Ch. 3; for a definition). The  $(\phi^4)_2$  measure on  $H^{-1}$  is defined by

$$\frac{d\mu}{d\mu_C} = \exp \left( -\frac{1}{4} \int \phi^4 dx \right) / Z \tag{2.1}$$

where

$$Z = \int \exp \left( -\frac{1}{4} \int \phi^4 dx \right) d\mu_C < \infty.$$

See [4], Section 8.6, for details.

Let  $0 < \varepsilon < 1$  and  $\beta_k(\cdot)$ ,  $k \in B$ , a collection of independent standard Brownian motions. Define

$$W(t) = \sum_{k \in B} (k^2)^{-(1-\varepsilon)/2} \beta_k(t) e_k(\cdot), \quad t \geq 0.$$

This defines an  $H^{-1}$ -valued Wiener process with covariance  $C^{1-\varepsilon}$  [2], [6].

The equation

$$d\phi(t) = -\frac{1}{2} (C^{-\varepsilon} \phi(t) + C^{1-\varepsilon} \phi^3(t)) dt + dW(t) \tag{2.2}$$

with initial law  $\mu$  can be shown to have a unique stationary weak solution as an  $H^{-1}$ -valued process, defining an ergodic process called the  $(\phi^4)_2$  process. See [2], [6] for details.

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### III. LATTICE APPROXIMATION

Let  $\Lambda = \{2^{-n}, n \geq 1\}$  and pick  $\delta \in \Lambda$ . The finite lattice  $\Lambda_\delta$  with spacing  $\delta$  is defined as follows: Let  $\delta Z^2 = \{\delta z \mid z \in Z^2\}$ ,  $\text{int } \Lambda_\delta = \text{int } \Lambda \cap \delta Z^2$ ,

$\partial \Lambda_\delta = \partial \Lambda \cap \delta Z^2$ ,  $\Lambda_\delta = \text{int } \Lambda_\delta \cup \partial \Lambda_\delta = \Lambda \cap \delta Z^2$ .  $\ell_2(\text{int } \Lambda_\delta)$  is the Hilbert space with inner product

$$\langle f, f \rangle_{\text{int } \Lambda_\delta} = \sum_{x \in \text{int } \Lambda_\delta} \delta^2 |f(x)|^2,$$

viewed as a subspace of  $\ell_2(\Lambda_\delta)$ . On  $\ell_2(\delta Z^2)$ , define the forward gradient  $\partial_{\delta, \alpha}$  in direction  $\alpha$  by  $(\partial_{\delta, \alpha} f)(x) = \delta^{-1} [f(x + \delta u_\alpha) - f(x)]$  where  $u_\alpha$  is the unit vector in the  $\alpha$ -th direction for  $\alpha = 1, 2$ . The backward gradient  $\partial_{\delta, \alpha}^*$  is its adjoint with respect to the  $\ell_2(\delta Z^2)$  inner product.

Let  $-\bar{\Delta}_\delta = \partial_{\delta, 1}^* \partial_{\delta, 1} + \partial_{\delta, 2}^* \partial_{\delta, 2}$ . Then  $(\bar{\Delta}_\delta f)(x) = \delta^{-2} (-4f(x) + \sum f(y))$  where the summation is over the nearest neighbours of  $x$ . Let  $\Pi$  be the projection  $\ell_2(\delta Z^2) \rightarrow \ell_2(\text{int } \Lambda_\delta)$ . The Dirichlet difference Laplacian  $\Delta_\delta$  is defined as  $\Pi \bar{\Delta}_\delta \Pi$  and agrees with  $\bar{\Delta}_\delta$  on  $\text{int } \Lambda_\delta$ .

Choose as a basis on  $\ell_2(\text{int } \Lambda_\delta)$  the  $(\delta^{-1}-1)^2$  functions  $\{e_k^\delta(x) = e_k(x) \mid x \in \text{int } \Lambda_\delta, k_\alpha = \pi, 2\pi, \dots, (\delta^{-1}-1)\pi; \alpha = 1, 2\}$ .

**Lemma 3.1** ([4], p. 221)  $\{e_k^\alpha\}$  diagonalize  $-\Delta_\delta$  with  $-\Delta_\delta e_k^\alpha = \lambda_k^\delta e_k^\alpha$ ,  $\lambda_k^\delta = 4\delta^{-2} \sum_{i=1}^2 \sin^2(\frac{\delta k_i}{2})$ .

Also,  $\langle e_k^\delta, e_l^\delta \rangle_{\text{int } \Lambda_\delta} = 1$  if  $k = l$ ,  $= 0$  otherwise

**Lemma 3.2** ([4], p. 222) The map  $i_\delta: e_k^\delta \rightarrow e_k$  defines an isometric imbedding of  $\ell_2(\text{int } \Lambda_\delta) \rightarrow L_2(\Lambda)$ .

Let  $\Pi_\delta$  be the projection operator on  $L_2(\Lambda)$  which truncates the Fourier series at  $k_\alpha/\pi = \delta^{-1}$ , so that

$\Pi_\delta \sum \alpha_k e_k = \sum^\delta \alpha_k e_k$  where  $\sum^\delta$  denotes the summation over  $B_\delta = \{k = (k_1, k_2) \mid 1 \leq \pi^{-1} k_i \leq \delta^{-1}-1, i=1, 2\}$ . Then  $i_\delta^* f = \Pi_\delta f|_{\Lambda_\delta}$ . We can

consider  $C_\delta = (-\Delta_\delta + 1)^{-1}: \ell_2(\text{int } \Lambda_\delta) \rightarrow \ell_2(\text{int } \Lambda_\delta)$  as an operator on  $L_2(\Lambda)$ , via the above isometry, i.e., let  $C_\delta = i_\delta C_\delta i_\delta^*$  where the  $C_\delta$  on the right (resp. left) acts on  $\ell_2(\text{int } \Lambda_\delta)$  (resp.  $L_2(\Lambda)$ ). As an operator on  $L_2(\Lambda)$ , its kernel is  $C_\delta(x, y) = \sum^\delta (\lambda_k^\delta + 1)^{-1} e_k(x) e_k(y)$ , which when restricted to the lattice points in  $\text{int } \Lambda_\delta$ , coincides with the matrix entries of  $C_\delta$  as an operator on  $\ell_2(\text{int } \Lambda_\delta)$ .

**Lemma 3.3** ([4], pp. 222-224)  $\|C_\delta - C\| \leq O(\delta^2)$  as operators on  $L_2(\Lambda)$ . Moreover,  $\sup_{x \in \Lambda} \|C_\delta(x, \cdot)\|_{L_p(\Lambda)} \leq O(\delta^\alpha)$  for  $\alpha < (2p^{-1}, 1)$ .

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If  $\phi$  is a Gaussian field with covariance  $\bar{C}$ ,  $\phi_\delta(x) = (i_\delta^* \phi)(x)$  for  $x \in \text{int } \Lambda_\delta$  defines a Gaussian lattice field with covariance  $C_\delta = i_\delta^* \bar{C} i_\delta$ .

The field  $\phi_\delta$  can be realized by a Gaussian measure on  $L_2(\mathbb{R}^{|\text{int } \Lambda_\delta|})$ .

Explicitly, letting  $\prod_{x \in \text{int } \Lambda_\delta} d\phi_\delta(x)$  denote the Lebesgue measure on  $\mathbb{R}^{|\text{int } \Lambda_\delta|}$ , the above measure is given by

$$d\mu_{\delta C} = (\det C_\delta)^{-1/2} \pi^{-|\text{int } \Lambda_\delta|/2} \exp \left( -\frac{\delta^4}{2} \sum_{x, y \in \text{int } \Lambda_\delta} \phi_\delta(x) \bar{C}_\delta^{-1}(x, y) \phi_\delta(y) \right) \prod_x d\phi_\delta(x).$$

This is the lattice analog of  $\mu_C$ . The lattice analog of  $\mu$  can now be defined as follows: Define for  $f \in \mathfrak{L}_2(\text{int } \Lambda_\delta)$ ,

$$:\phi_\delta^n:(f) = \delta^2 \sum_{x \in \text{int } \Lambda_\delta} :\phi_\delta^n(x):_{C_\delta} f(x).$$

The lattice analog  $\mu_\delta$  is given by

$$d\mu_\delta = \exp \left( -\frac{1}{4} :\phi_\delta^4(x):_\delta(1) \right) d\mu_{\delta C} / \int \left( \int \exp \left( -\frac{1}{4} :\phi_\delta^4(x):_\delta(1) \right) d\mu_{\delta C} \right) \quad [3.1]$$

For  $k \in B_\delta$ , let  $\{\beta_k(\cdot)\}$  be a collection of independent standard Brownian motions. For  $0 < \varepsilon < 1$ , define

$$B_\delta(t) = \delta^2 \sum_{k \in B_\delta} (\lambda_k^\delta + 1)^{-(1-\varepsilon)/2} \beta_k(t) e_k(\cdot), \quad t \geq 0.$$

This defines an  $L_2(\Lambda)$ -valued Wiener process with covariance  $C_\delta^{1-\varepsilon}$ . The analog of [2.2] in the lattice case is

$$d\phi_\delta(t) = \frac{1}{2} (C_\delta^{-\varepsilon} \phi_\delta(t) + C_\delta^{1-\varepsilon} :\phi_\delta^3(t):_\delta) dt + dB_\delta(t) \quad [3.2]$$

where the operators act on  $L_2(\Lambda)$ .  $\phi_\delta(\cdot)$  is viewed here as an  $L_2(\Lambda)$ -valued process. However, letting  $\phi_\delta(t) = \sum_{k \in B_\delta} \phi_{\delta k}(t) e_k$ , [3.2] translates into an equivalent stochastic differential equation for finitely many scalar processes  $\phi_{\delta k}(\cdot)$  with locally Lipschitz (in fact, polynomial) coefficients. This ensures the existence of an a.s. unique strong solution to [3.2] up to an explosion time. That it does not explode a.s. is proved by a standard application of Khasminskii's test for non-explosion exactly as in [G], Section 3.

By identifying the vector  $\{\phi_\delta(x), x \in \text{int } \Lambda_\delta\}$  with  $\phi_\delta(\cdot) \in \mathfrak{L}_2(\text{int } \Lambda_\delta)$ ,  $\mu_\delta$  can be considered as a probability measure on  $\mathfrak{L}_2(\text{int } \Lambda_\delta)$  and via the isometry  $i_\delta$ , as a probability measure on  $L_2(\Lambda)$ . We retain the notation  $\mu_\delta$  for the latter interpretation, as only this interpretation will be used henceforth. A computation similar to that of [2], Section 3, shows that the generator of the Markov process described by [3.2] is self-adjoint on  $L_2(\mu_\delta)$ . By Theorem 2.3 of [3], the same holds for the associated transition semigroup of  $\{T_t, t \geq 0\}$  of operators on  $L_2(\mu_\delta)$ . Thus for  $f, g \in L_2(\mu_\delta)$ ,  $\int f T_t g d\mu_\delta = \int (T_t f) g d\mu_\delta$ . Letting  $f(\cdot) \equiv 1$ ,  $\int T_t g d\mu_\delta = \int g d\mu_\delta$ , implying that  $\mu_\delta$  is an invariant probability measure

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for  $\phi_\delta(\cdot)$ . In fact, the resulting process will be ergodic. We won't need this fact here, so we omit the details. From now on, [3.2] will always be considered with initial law  $\mu_\delta$ .

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#### IV. THE CONTINUUM LIMIT

This section establishes the main result of this paper, viz., the convergence of  $\phi_\delta(\cdot)$  to the  $(\phi^4)_2$  process as  $\delta \rightarrow 0$  in  $A$ , in the sense of weak convergence of  $Q'$ -valued processes. Thus we consider  $\phi_\delta(\cdot)$  as a  $Q'$ -valued process and  $\mu_\delta$  as a measure on  $Q'$  via the injection of  $L_2(A)$  into  $Q'$ . From theorem 9.6.4, p.228, [4], it follows that the finite dimensional marginals of the collection  $\{\phi_\delta(e_k), k \in B\}$  under  $\mu_\delta$  converge weakly to the corresponding ones under  $\mu$  as  $\delta \rightarrow 0$  in  $A$ . Since  $\mu_\delta, \mu$  are supported on  $H^{-1}$ , it follows that  $\mu_\delta \rightarrow \mu$  weakly as probability measures on  $Q'$ . (A proof of the former assertion would go as follows: Since  $H^{-1}$  is Polish, it is homeomorphic to a  $G_\mu$  subset of  $[0,1]^\infty$  whose closure  $\bar{H}^{-1}$  can be considered a compactification of  $H^{-1}$ . As a measure on  $\bar{H}^{-1}$ ,  $\{\mu_\delta\}$  are tight and for any weak limit point  $\nu$  thereof, its restriction  $\nu'$  to  $H^{-1}$  must yield the same finite dimensional marginals for  $\{\phi(e_k), k \in B\}$  as  $\mu$ . Thus  $\nu = \nu' = \mu$ .) As a first step towards proving the continuum limit, we prove some tightness results.

Let

$$\phi_{\delta_1}(t) = \phi_\delta(t)$$

$$\phi_{\delta_2}(t) = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t C_\delta^{-\varepsilon} \phi_\delta(s) ds$$

$$\phi_{\delta_3}(t) = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t C_\delta^{1-\varepsilon} \phi_\delta(s) ds$$

$$\phi_{\delta_4}(t) = B_\delta(t)$$

for  $t \leq 0$ . Pick  $t_1 \leq t_2$  in  $[0, T]$ ,  $\infty > T > 0$ . In what follows,  $K$  denotes a positive constant (not always the same) that may depend on  $T$ , but not on  $\delta$ . Let  $f \in Q$

Lemma 4.1  $E[(\int_{t_1}^{t_2} C_\delta^{-\varepsilon} \phi_\delta(t)(f) dt)^4] \leq K |t_2 - t_1|^2$  [4.1]

Proof Using Jensen's inequality and stationarity of  $\phi_\delta(\cdot)$ , one obtains

$$E[(\int_{t_1}^{t_2} C_\delta^{-\varepsilon} \phi_\delta(t)(f) dt)^4] \leq K |t_2 - t_1|^2 E[|C_\delta^{-\varepsilon} \phi_\delta(0)(f)|^4].$$

Letting  $\Lambda_\delta = d\mu_\delta / d\mu_{\delta C}$ , the expectation on the right is bounded by

$$[\int |C_\delta^{-\varepsilon} \phi(f)|^8 d\mu_{\delta C}(\phi)]^{1/2} [\int \Lambda_\delta^2 d\mu_{\delta C}]^{1/2}.$$

By Lemma 9.6.2, p. 227, [4], the second term above is bounded uniformly in  $\delta$ . Using Feynman graph calculations, as in Theorem 8.5.3, p.191, [4], one has

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$$\int |C_\delta^{-\varepsilon} \phi(\varepsilon)|^2 d\mu_\delta(\phi) \leq K \|C_\delta^{-\varepsilon} f\|_2^2.$$

Now

$$\|C_\delta^{-\varepsilon} f - C^{-\varepsilon} f\|_2^2 = O\left(\sum_{k \in B_\delta} \langle f, e_k \rangle^2 ((\lambda_k^\delta + 1)^{\varepsilon} - (\lambda_k + 1)^{\varepsilon})^2\right).$$

The summand on the right can be dominated in absolute value by  $K \langle f, e_k \rangle^2 \lambda_k^2$  which is summable for  $f \in Q$ . By the dominated convergence theorem,

$$\lim \|C_\delta^{-\varepsilon} f - C^{-\varepsilon} f\|_2 = 0,$$

implying  $\sup_\delta \|C_\delta^{-\varepsilon} f\|_2 < \infty$ . [4.] follows. QED

Lemma 4.2  $E\left[\left(\int_{t_1}^{t_2} C_\delta^{1-\varepsilon} : \phi_\delta(t) : (f) dt\right)^4\right] \leq K |t_2 - t_1|^2.$  [4.2]

This follows along similar lines.

Lemma 4.3  $E[|B_\delta(t_2)(f) - B_\delta(t_1)(f)|^4] \leq K |t_2 - t_1|^2.$  [4.3]

Proof The lefthand side equals

$$3|C_\delta^{-\varepsilon}(f, f)|^2 |t_2 - t_1|^2 \leq 3 \sup_\delta \|C_\delta^{(1-\varepsilon)/2} f\|_2^2 |t_2 - t_1|^2.$$

As in the proof of Lemma 4.1, one can prove

$$\lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \|C_\delta^{(1-\varepsilon)/2} f - C^{(1-\varepsilon)/2} f\|_2 = 0.$$

Thus  $\sup_\delta \|C_\delta^{(1-\varepsilon)/2} f\|_2 < \infty$  and the claim follows. QED

Corollary 4.1  $E[|\phi(t_2)(f) - \phi(t_1)(f)|^4] \leq K |t_2 - t_1|^2$  [4.4]

Proof Follows from [3.2] and [4.1] - [4.3]. QED

Lemma 4.4 The laws of the processes  $[\phi_{\delta_1}(\cdot), \phi_{\delta_2}(\cdot), \phi_{\delta_3}(\cdot), \phi_{\delta_4}(\cdot)]$  viewed as  $(C(0, \infty); Q')$ -valued random variables remain tight as  $\delta$  varies over  $A$ .

Proof By Theorem 3.1 of [7], it suffices to establish the tightness of  $[\phi_{\delta_1}(\cdot)(f), \phi_{\delta_2}(\cdot)(f), \phi_{\delta_3}(\cdot)(f), \phi_{\delta_4}(\cdot)(f)]$  on  $[0, T]$  as

$(C([0, T]; R))^4$ -valued random variables for arbitrary  $T > 0$  and  $f \in Q$ .

This, however, is immediate from the tightness of  $\{\mu_\delta\}$  (since  $\mu_\delta \rightarrow \mu$  weakly as a measure on  $H^{-1}$ ), the estimates [4.1] - [4.4] and the criterion of [1], p. 95. QED

Recall that a family of probability measures on a product of Polish spaces is tight if and only if its images under projection onto each factor space are. Letting  $\{\bar{e}_i\}$  denote an enumeration of  $\{e_k\}$ .

This implies, in view of the foregoing, that  $[\phi_{\delta_1}(\cdot)(\bar{e}_1), \dots, \phi_{\delta_4}(\cdot)(\bar{e}_1), \phi_{\delta_1}(\cdot)(\bar{e}_2), \dots, \phi_{\delta_4}(\cdot)(\bar{e}_2), \phi_{\delta_1}(\cdot)(\bar{e}_3), \dots]$  are tight as  $(C([0, \infty]; R))^\infty$ -valued random variables. By dropping to a subsequence

of  $A$ , denoted by  $A$  again, we may assume that they converge in law as  $\delta \rightarrow 0$  along  $A$ . Then for any finite subset  $\{t_1, \dots, t_k\}$  of  $[0, \infty]$  and a

collection  $\{g_1, \dots, g_k\}$  of finite linear combinations of  $\{\bar{e}_i\}$ , the

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 joint laws of  $\{\phi_{\delta i}(t_j)(g_j), 1 \leq i \leq 4, 1 \leq j \leq k\}$  converge. Consider a  
 collection  $f_1, \dots, f_k$  in  $Q$ . Using the kind of estimates used in the  
 proofs of Lemmas 4.1-4.3, we have

$$E[|\phi_{\delta 1}(t_j)(f_j - g_j)|^2] \leq M \|f_j - g_j\|_2^2 \quad [4.5]$$

$$E[|\phi_{\delta 2}(t_j)(f_j - g_j)|^2] \leq M \|C_\delta^{-\epsilon}(f_j - g_j)\|_2^2 \quad [4.6]$$

$$E[|\phi_{\delta 3}(t_j)(f_j - g_j)|^2] \leq M \|C_\delta^{1-\epsilon}(f_j - g_j)\|_2^2 \quad [4.7]$$

$$E[|\phi_{\delta 4}(t_j)(f_j - g_j)|^2] \leq M \|C_\delta^{(1-\epsilon)/2}(f_j - g_j)\|_2^2 \quad [4.8]$$

for a suitable constant  $M$  depending on  $\max(t_1, \dots, t_k)$ . As  $\delta \rightarrow 0$  in  $A$ , the righthand sides of [4.6] - [4.8] converge to the corresponding quantities with  $C$  replacing  $C_\delta$ . Since  $g_j$  can be obtained by suitably truncating the Fourier series of  $f_j$  in  $\{e_i\}$ , each of these limiting expressions and the righthand side of [4.5] can be made smaller than any prescribed  $\eta > 0$  uniformly in  $1 \leq j \leq k$  by a suitable choice of  $\{g_j\}$ . It follows that the righthand sides of [4.5] - [4.8] can be made smaller than any prescribed  $\eta > 0$  uniformly in  $\delta \in A$  and  $1 \leq j \leq k$  by a suitable choice of  $\{g_j\}$ .

Let  $\{h_\ell\}$  be an enumeration of finite linear combinations of  $\{\bar{e}_i\}$  with rational coefficients. By a well-known theorem of Skorohod ([5], p. 9), we can construct on some probability space random variables  $X_{\delta ijl}, Y_{ijl}, \delta \in A, 1 \leq i \leq 4, 1 \leq j \leq k, \ell \geq 1$ , such that  $\{X_{\delta ijl}\}$  agrees in law with  $\{\phi_{\delta i}(t_j)(h_\ell)\}$  for each fixed  $\delta$  and  $X_{\delta ijl} \rightarrow Y_{ijl}$  a.s. as  $\delta \rightarrow 0$  in  $A$ . By augmenting this probability space, if necessary, we may construct on it random variables  $Z_{\delta ijl}, (\delta, i, j)$  as above, such that the joint law of  $\{\phi_{\delta i}(t_j)(f_j), \phi_{\delta i}(t_j)(h_1), \phi_{\delta i}(t_j)(h_2), \dots\}$  agrees with that of  $\{Z_{\delta ijl}, X_{\delta ijl_1}, X_{\delta ijl_2}, \dots\}$  for each  $\delta, i, j$ . Since  $X_{\delta ijl} \rightarrow Y_{ijl}$  a.s. and  $E[|X_{\delta ijl}|^4] = E[|\phi_{\delta i}(t_j)(h_\ell)|^4]$  can be bounded uniformly in  $\delta$  for each  $i, j, \ell$  by estimates analogous to [4.5] - [4.8], we have  $E[|X_{\delta ijl} - Y_{ijl}|^2] \rightarrow 0$  as  $\delta \rightarrow 0$  in  $A$  for each  $i, j, \ell$ . On the other hand, given  $\eta > 0$ , we can pick  $\ell(j), 1 \leq j \leq k$ , such that setting  $g_j = h_{\ell(j)}$  in [4.5] - [4.8] makes all the quantities on the righthand side there less than  $\eta$ . Thus

$$\lim_{\substack{\delta, \alpha \rightarrow 0 \\ \delta, \alpha \in A}} E[|Z_{\delta ijl} - Z_{\alpha ijl}|^2] \leq 2\eta + \lim_{\substack{\delta, \alpha \rightarrow 0 \\ \delta, \alpha \in A}} E[|X_{\delta ijl(i)} - X_{\alpha ijl(i)}|^2] = 2\eta.$$

Thus  $Z_{\delta ijl}$  converge in mean square for each  $i, j$  as  $\delta \rightarrow 0$  in  $A$ . It follows that the joint laws of  $\{\phi_{\delta i}(t_j)(f_j), 1 \leq i \leq 4, 1 \leq j \leq k\}$  converge. Theorem 5.3, [7], now implies that  $\{\phi_{\delta 1}(\cdot), \dots, \phi_{\delta 4}(\cdot)\}$  converge as  $(C([0, \infty); Q'))^4$ -valued random variables. Let  $[\phi_1(\cdot), \phi_2(\cdot), \phi_3(\cdot), \phi_4(\cdot)]$  denote its limit in law (abbreviated as "l.i.l." henceforth). By taking the l.i.l. in [3.2] along an appropriate subsequence,

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$$\phi_1(t) = \phi_1(0) + \sum_{i=2}^4 \phi_i(t) a \cdot s.$$

[4.9]

**Theorem 4.1**  $\phi_1(\cdot)$  is the  $(\phi^*)_2$  process.

**Proof** We prove the theorem by identifying each term of [4.9]. Let  $f \in Q$ .

$$\text{By Jensen's inequality and stationarity, } E \left[ \left| \int_0^t \phi_\delta(s) (\bar{C}_\delta^{-\varepsilon} f) ds \right|^2 \right] - \int_0^t \phi_\delta(s) (\bar{C}^{-\varepsilon} f) ds \leq t E \left[ \left| \phi_\delta(0) (\bar{C}_\delta^{-\varepsilon} f - \bar{C}^{-\varepsilon} f) \right|^2 \right] \leq t K \| \bar{C}_\delta^{-\varepsilon} f - \bar{C}^{-\varepsilon} f \|^2.$$

The righthand side tends to zero as  $\delta \rightarrow 0$  by arguments similar to those employed in the proof of Lemma 4.1. Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} 1.i.1. (\phi_{\delta_1}(\cdot), \phi_{\delta_2}(t)(f)) &= (\phi_1(\cdot), -2\phi_2(t)(f)) \\ &= \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} 1.i.1. (\phi_\delta(\cdot), \int_0^t \phi_\delta(s) (\bar{C}_\delta^{-\varepsilon} f) ds) \\ &= \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} 1.i.1. (\phi_\delta(\cdot), \int_0^t \phi_\delta(s) (\bar{C}^{-\varepsilon} f) ds) \\ &= (\phi_1(\cdot), \int_0^t \phi_1(s) (\bar{C}^{-\varepsilon} f) ds). \end{aligned}$$

It follows that

$$\phi_2(t)(f) = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t \phi_1(s) (\bar{C}^{-\varepsilon} f) ds a \cdot s.$$

Similarly

$$\begin{aligned} E \left[ \left| \int_0^t \phi_\delta^3(s) : \bar{C}_\delta^{1-\varepsilon} f : ds - \int_0^t \phi_\delta^3(s) : \bar{C}^{1-\varepsilon} f : ds \right|^2 \right] \\ \leq t E \left[ \left| \phi_\delta^3(0) : (\bar{C}_\delta^{1-\varepsilon} f - \bar{C}^{1-\varepsilon} f) : \right|^2 \right] \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } \delta \rightarrow 0 \text{ in } A, \text{ by arguments} \\ \text{analogous to those above. Hence} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} 1.i.1. (\phi_\delta(\cdot), \int_0^t \phi_\delta^3(s) : \bar{C}_\delta^{1-\varepsilon} f : ds) &= (\phi_1(\cdot), -2\phi_3(t)(f)) \\ &= \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} 1.i.1. (\phi_\delta(\cdot), \int_0^t \phi_\delta^3(s) : \bar{C}^{1-\varepsilon} f : ds) [4.10] \end{aligned}$$

Let  $\alpha > \delta$  in  $A$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} E \left[ \left| \int_0^t \phi_\delta^3(s) : \bar{C}_\delta^{1-\varepsilon} f : ds - \int_0^t \phi_\alpha^3(s) : \bar{C}_\delta^{1-\varepsilon} f : ds \right|^2 \right] \\ \leq t E \left[ \left| \phi_\delta^3(0) : \bar{C}_\delta^{1-\varepsilon} f : - \phi_\alpha^3(0) : \bar{C}_\delta^{1-\varepsilon} f : \right|^2 \right] \leq O(\alpha^2) \text{ for a suitable } \varepsilon > 0 \text{ uniformly in } \delta \text{ as } \delta \rightarrow 0, \text{ by virtue of (9.6.9), p. 228, [4]. Thus} \end{aligned}$$

the righthand side of [4.10] equals

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 0} 1.i.1. \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} 1.i.1. (\phi_\delta(\cdot), \int_0^t \phi_\alpha^3(s) : \bar{C}_\delta^{1-\varepsilon} f : ds) \\ = \lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 0} 1.i.1. (\phi_1(\cdot), \int_0^t \bar{\phi}_\alpha^3(s) : (\bar{C}^{1-\varepsilon} f) : ds) \end{aligned}$$

where  $\bar{\phi}_\alpha(\cdot)$  is defined by

$$\bar{\phi}_\alpha(t)(h) = \sum_k^\alpha \phi_1(t)(e_k) \langle e_k, h \rangle, h \in Q.$$

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The above limit equals

$$(\phi_1(\cdot), \int_0^t : \phi_1^3(s) : (C^{1-\epsilon} f) ds),$$

Thus

$$\phi_3(t)(f) = -\frac{1}{2} \int_0^t : \phi_1^3(s) : (C^{1-\epsilon} f) ds \text{ a.s.}$$

Finally, it is easy to check that  $\phi_4(\cdot)$  will be a Wiener process with covariance  $C^{1-\epsilon}$ . Thus  $\phi_1(\cdot)$  satisfies [3.2] with initial law  $\mu$ . By the uniqueness in law of this equation (proved in [2], Section IV), we conclude that  $\phi_1(\cdot)$  is the  $(\phi^4)_2$  process. QED

Corollary 4.2  $\phi_\delta(\cdot)$  converge in law to  $\phi(\cdot)$  as  $C([0, \infty]; Q'$ -valued random variables as  $\delta \rightarrow 0$  in  $A$ , as defined originally.

Proof A careful look at the foregoing shows that any subsequence of  $A$  will have a further subsequence along which the above convergence holds. QED

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